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To. CHEILJEDANG Corporation

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I .IDENTIFICATION OF THE MICRO	ORGANISM					
Identification reference given by the DEPOSITOR: Pseudomonas stutzeri CJ38	Accession number given by the INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY: KCCM - 10150					
II. SCIENTIFIC DESCRIPTION AND/O	OR PROPOSED TAXONOMIC DESIGNATION					
The microorganism identified under I	above was accompanied by:					
a scientific description						
a proposed taxonomic designation						
(Mark with a cross where applicable)						
III. RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE	·					
the microorganism identified under I above was received by this international Depositary Authority on Sep. 29, 1997 and a request to convert the original deposit to a deposit under the Budapest Treaty was received by it on Feb. 12. 1999.						
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